

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An oscillation circuit comprising:

a first transistor including a base inputted an
oscillation signal, an emitter connected to a ground
potential, and a collector;

a second transistor including a collector
connected to a power supply potential, a gate and an
emitter; and

a load having one end connected to the collector
of the first transistor, and another end connected to
the emitter of the second transistor, the load causing
a voltage drop proportional to the power supply
potential,

wherein the voltage drop caused by the load
reduces dependency of a base-collector voltage of the
first transistor upon the power supply potential.

2. The oscillation circuit according to claim 1,
wherein the voltage drop caused by the load changes in
accordance with a change in the power supply potential,
thereby causing negative feedback to the base-collector
voltage of the first transistor.

3. The oscillation circuit according to claim 1,
wherein only the voltage drop caused by the load
depends upon a change in the power supply potential in
a current path extending from the base of the second
transistor to the base of the first transistor via
the load.

4. The oscillation circuit according to claim 1,
wherein a change in the voltage drop caused by the
load, which occurs when the power supply potential has
changed, is substantially equal to a change in a
5 potential difference between the bases of the first and
second transistors.

5. The oscillation circuit according to claim 1,
further comprising:

an oscillation section which outputs the
10 oscillation signal of a constant oscillation frequency;
and

a resistance element provided between the bases of
the first and second transistors, a change in a voltage
drop at the resistance element, which occurs when the
15 power supply potential has changed, being substantially
equal to a change in the voltage drop at the load.

6. The oscillation circuit according to claim 1,
wherein the load is a resistance element.

7. The oscillation circuit according to claim 1,
20 further comprising a capacitance element having an
electrode connected to the collector of the first
transistor, and another electrode connected to the
ground potential.

8. The oscillation circuit according to claim 1,
25 wherein the first transistor includes:

a first-conductivity-type first collector area, at
least a portion of the first collector area functioning

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as the load;

a first-conductivity-type second collector area
provided on a surface of the first collector area and
having a lower impurity density than the first
collector area;

a second-conductivity-type base area provided in a
surface of the second collector area;

a first-conductivity-type emitter area provided in
a surface of the base area; and

a first-conductivity-type first leading area
extending from a surface of the second collector area
to the first collector area, the first collector area
being connected to the emitter of the second transistor
via the first leading area.

9. The oscillation circuit according to claim 8,
further comprising:

a capacitance element having one electrode
connected to the collector of the first transistor, and
another electrode connected to the ground potential;

and

a first-conductivity-type second leading area
extending from a surface of the second collector area
to the first collector area, the first collector area
being connected to the one electrode of the capacitance
element via the second leading area.

10. The oscillation circuit according to claim 8,
wherein the base area is divided into a plurality of

base area parts arranged in parallel in the surface of the second collector area, the base area parts having a planar pattern in which the base area parts are arranged in stripes, the base area parts being electrically connected to each other.

11. An oscillation circuit comprising:

a first transistor including a base inputted an oscillation signal, an emitter connected to a ground potential, and a collector;

a second transistor including a collector connected to a power supply potential, a gate and an emitter; and

load means for reducing dependency of a base-collector voltage of the first transistor upon the power supply potential when a voltage drop occurs, said load means including one end connected to the collector of the first transistor, and another end connected to the emitter of the second transistor.